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Letter dated 9 October 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I wish to record our objection to paragraphs concerning Iraq contained in the statement issued by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Damascus Declaration countries on 10 September 1992 (S/24566). I wish to make it clear to you that the charges levelled against Iraq in those paragraphs are not founded in fact and are a reiteration of the frequent assertions made by quarters hostile to Iraq in order to justify the continuation of the current embargo against Iraq and deprive its people of their most elementary and basic humanitarian needs, despite the fact that Iraq has fulfilled its obligations under the Security Council resolutions and cooperated fully with the United Nations teams.

At the same time that the statement refers to what it calls Iraqi threats against the States of the Gulf Cooperation Council, which have not issued from any official Iraqi quarter, it manages to ignore the real threat that hovers over the region, namely the schemes to divide and occupy in various and sundry ways. The direction adopted in the statement makes it a means for the implementation of the wills of the great Powers, which seek hegemony over the region in order to satisfy their own interests and policies. This is constantly confirmed by events, by Iranian threats and by the crises which the region is currently experiencing.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session under agenda item 46 and as a document of the Security Council.

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